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# Emversity partners with Cambridge University to strengthen global employability of Indiaâ??s healthcare workforce

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Bengaluru-based startup Emversity, an industry-skilling network, has partnered with Cambridge University Press & Assessment to deliver specialised English language training for nursing learners through the Cambridge English for Healthcare Professionals programme.

Effective immediately, the programme will be delivered across Emversity's skill-development centres and through its network of university partnerships. It will complement existing academic curricula, ensuring that learners gain structured, internationally benchmarked communication skills.

The collaboration addresses a critical employability barrier in India's healthcare sector, equipping nursing professionals with essential communication skills required for healthcare settings both in India and internationally.

India faces a significant nursing shortage, with only 17.2 nurses per 10,000 people, contributing to an estimated 5.8 million-person gap in the healthcare workforce. While capacity is a challenge, employers often highlight communication skills as a major barrier to employability. The Cambridge English for Healthcare Professionals program addresses this gap by strengthening workplace English language competencies specifically required in clinical settings.

The training, benchmarked to international CEFR standards (A1–B1, covering beginner to intermediate proficiency), equips learners with the practical communication skills needed for patient interaction, case documentation, teamwork communication, and clarity in emergencies. It also supports learners preparing for pathways like the Occupational English Test (OET).

Vivek Sinha, Founder & CEO, Emversity, comments "The world faces a critical shortage of skilled healthcare talent, and India is uniquely positioned to fill this gap. Communication skills are a significant part of this talent deficit. By 2030, we aim to equip over one lakh nursing professionals with essential workplace communication competencies. Our collaboration with Cambridge University Press & Assessment is critical to building the structured pathway India's healthcare workforce needs."